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Amazing Race contestants will hit N.S. but producer mum on locations; frantic pairs of runners should give it away

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# Waterfront to see more high-end living



A man checks out renderings of a new Cunard development planned for the waterfront after a press conference on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

### Cunard project.

Developer, Waterfront Corporation OK'd to move ahead with construction of residential-commercial building by Bishop's Landing



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The province has signed off on a deal between the Waterfront Development Corporation and a pair of developers to build the largest development in the corporation's history.

The \$75-million Cunard project will feature about 250 apartments and retail space on 1.5 acres at Lower Water and Morris streets.

Construction is expected to begin in Sept. 2014 and to last about two years.

"It's a great opportunity for us to try and influence the health and vibrancy of the downtown core," said Jim Spatz, chairman and CEO of Southwest Properties Ltd.

"I strongly believe that people living downtown is key to the downtown regaining its place as the beating heart of this municipality."

Southwest, in partnership with Minett Real Estate Services, will design and build the Cunard development.

Waterfront Development Corporation CEO Colin McLean said one of the most significant aspects of the project is the public space it will create — almost three-quarters of an acre connected to the waterfront boardwalk.

"The amenities that we will put there ... are something that we want to engage the community with because it has become Nova Scotia's No. 1 visited destination," said McLean.

The corporation will hold public sessions this fall on the best uses of that space.

McLean said early ideas include a tide pool with terraced steps leading to the harbour, a fountain plaza similar to the one at Bishop's Landing, or just open green space.

"The possibilities are there to do something even greater than we've ever done before," he said.

Spatz said young people who work downtown and haven't started a family, along with empty-nesters looking to downsize, would be among the likely candidates for tenants in the new building.

He said there's "tremendous thirst" for downtown living, noting his Grainery Lofts building on South Bland Street was full within six months of opening last year — and currently has a wait list.

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## \$75M

The Cunard project will cost about \$75 million and will feature about 250 apartments and retail space on 1.5 acres at Lower Water and Morris streets.

"I think there's great demand for urban lifestyle and not much supply, and not the most vibrant downtown — but the two go hand in hand," he said.

"If you create great places for people to live ... then you'll see restaurants and shops and bars and amenities just start to happen."

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## Grass roots. Dexter joins list of pols who admit to pot use

Premier Darrell Dexter says he smoked marijuana in university, but too much is being made of the issue since federal Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau called for the legalization of cannabis.

"Like every other person I knew back in the '70s, when I went to university — some of whom are actually in this room — I would have tried it, the same as other people at that time," Dexter said on Thursday.

He said he will leave it up to the federal government to worry about whether marijuana should be legalized because there are more important things for the provincial government to be concerned about, such as federal health-care funding and caps on immigration to the province.

The debate over the country's marijuana laws was reignited after Trudeau admitted this month that he smoked pot three years ago when he was an MP. He said he hasn't lit up since, but he believes marijuana should be legalized and regulated. Since then, both Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne and Toronto Mayor Rob Ford have admitted to pot use.

Dexter called the debate over marijuana use by politicians a distraction.

"I know it's a titillating little thing for reporters and stuff but, you know, really, there's some pretty serious issues out there that, I think, deserve more commentary than that," he added.

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Workers prepare wood on Thursday at LakeCity Woodworkers, which hires and trains people with disabilities. Premier Darrell Dexter announced support for seniors and the disabled at the workshop. JEFF HARPER/METRO

# Support program to get an overhaul

**Individuals with disabilities.** 'People-centred' system will help promote autonomous living



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Changes to the support program for seniors and people with disabilities will fundamentally alter the approach to finding housing and support services, the province says.

"Today marks the end of making people fit into the system and instead provides sup-

ports that empower people to live as they choose," Premier Darrell Dexter said on Thursday at an event in Dartmouth.

An advisory committee of 19 advocates, front-line workers and service providers began reviewing the system last spring, using feedback from more than 600 clients and their families.

"Those were very difficult things to be part of and to read about," committee co-chair Wendy Lill said. "People have been struggling for years to improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities."

The committee recommended making the system "people-centred," letting people decide where they want to live and accommodating that

choice with services — rather than forcing people to choose from pre-existing, limited, options.

Although it's expected to take up to 10 years to completely transform the program, three things will happen immediately: A single entry point will be established for programs and services; a "demonstration project" will test letting some families develop their own housing arrangements; and a new suite of legislation will replace the Homes for Special Care Act.

"I know that there are challenges and worries when you make change, but change can be good," said Community Services Minister Denise Peterson-Rafuse. "Nova Scotians deserve

### Support for the measure

Lew Crews, president of the Nova Scotia Association for Community Living, applauded the announcement.

- "This is not just good for people with disabilities, but everyone, including seniors, who want to live in their communities and who simply require supports and services to do so," Crews said in a release.

to direct their own care, to direct where they want to live and what they want to do."

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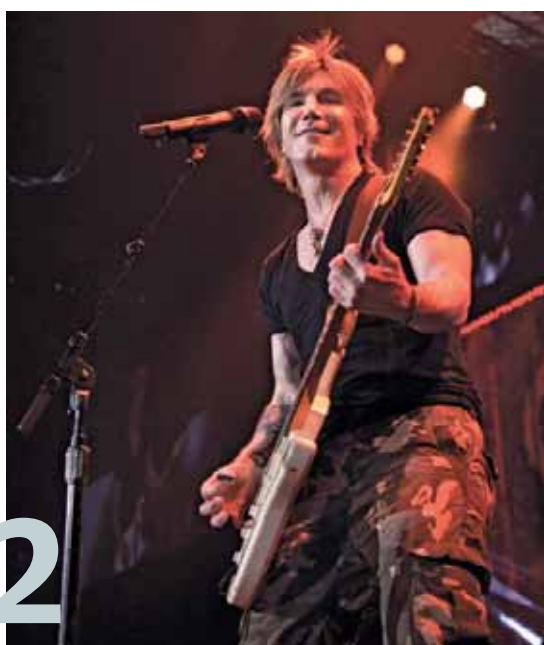
In a double bill at the Halifax Metro Centre on Thursday night, the Goo Goo Dolls and Matchbox Twenty performed for a packed house of enthusiastic fans. The Goo Goo Dolls took the stage first just before 8 p.m., and played a mix of older hits and some new tracks from their 2013 album, *Magnetic*. Matchbox Twenty, fronted by Rob Thomas, headlined the evening. The band was on hiatus from 2008 until 2010, when they reformed and released *North* in 2012.

PHOTOS: JEFF HARPER/METRO



### 1 **Matchbox Twenty.** Charismatic frontman

Rob Thomas of Matchbox Twenty on stage at the Halifax Metro Centre Thursday night.



### 2 **Goo Goo Dolls.** Magnetic singer

John Rzeznik of the Goo Goo Dolls interacts with the crowd.

# Matchbox guys & Goo Goo Dolls



### 3 **Boxed up & set to rock.** Summer tour

The stage setup for Matchbox Twenty.



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# The Amazing Race lands in N.S.

**But where?** The producer of the show isn't saying where in the province the scenes were shot



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The latest episode of The Amazing Race Canada runs this Monday, but a salty sea air of mystery has surrounded the details on where competitors will appear across Nova Scotia.

Peggy's Cove, the Halifax Citadel, and Lunenburg have all been hinted as destinations through show teasers or locals spotting camera crews, but supervising producer Mark Lysakowski clammed up when discussing exact locations.

## When to watch

Tune in to CTV to watch the episode Monday at 9 p.m.

"I don't want to say until the show airs," Lysakowski said.

He did say the episode was filmed in May, and added the local Nova Scotians who helped behind the scenes were "amazing."

"The locations we went to were really quite spectacular," said Lysakowski.

"(The) province is well-represented, and I think they should take a look and see where the racers explore."

The show pits nine teams against each other on a cross-country race in order to win a \$250,000 grand prize. It is based on the popular American version launched in 2001.

A spokesperson with the

Halifax Citadel couldn't confirm whether part of the episode was filmed there, but said some locations were shot just to give an "overview" of the province.

"I don't think there's much I can say.... You really need to watch it," the woman said.

Darlene Grant Fiander, president of the Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia, said she's "heard a few things" but didn't want to make assumptions.

However, she said showcasing Nova Scotia on an international stage can only help tourism and raise the province's profile in an era of information overload.

"It's so tough to get in front of people in a way," Grant Fiander said.

"Then there you are right in the middle of (a show).... It's wonderful."

Lysakowski said since Canadians are "world travel-



A possible clue: This promotional picture for the Amazing Race Canada features a fishing boat heading into Lunenburg's harbour. COURTESY CTV

lers" but don't explore their own nation as often, the series focused on Canada's "coast to coast" beauty, and it has been a hit.

"It's been a lot of fun to really show off the cool and interesting things that are within our own country," he said.

CTV reported 3.5 million people watched the first episode in July, making it the biggest series debut in Canada.

## Province will be reviewing book tender awards



**Ramona Jennex** JEFF HARPER/METRO FILE

Education Minister Ramona Jennex says the government was trying to get the best value for taxpayers when it awarded part of a tender for school books to a company based in the United States.

Jennex said Thursday it's the first time the province has tendered for the books, which resulted in significant savings.

"It's very important that our tax dollars are spent wise-

ly and that we are getting the very best value for the dollar, so these books were tendered," she said.

The government is reviewing its decision to award the tender after receiving complaints from the Canadian Publishers' Council that the contract would violate the Copyright Act.

Jennex said it is her understanding the government has

followed the law.

"From what I understand, it was handled appropriately, but we're right now reviewing the tender to make sure that everything is OK."

Jennex was responding to a media report that New York-based Sussman Sales Ltd. was awarded \$347,440 in business, while Atlantic Book Ltd. of Truro was awarded \$163,136.

She said no books have

been purchased. The tender is for 400 Canadian, American, British and Australian books that are used as supplementary reading for students studying literature. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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## 'Pillowcase Bandits.' New charges put end to case

Police say new charges against three Halifax men who dubbed themselves the "Pillowcase Bandits" should wrap up the major break-and-enter investigation.

On Thursday, police announced a total of 16 new charges against Cory Mitchell Jollimore, 22, Jason Patrick Marriott, 26, and Ryan Jeffries Marriott, 28. The men were originally arrested in July, following a four-month investigation into nearly 30 break-and-enters across Nova Scotia this year, including Tantallon and Lunenburg County.

Const. Tracy MacDonald of

### By the numbers

# 190

The three men are facing close to 190 charges, including the latest 16, in relation to the investigation

Halifax Regional Police said the men were recently linked to break-ins of a Bayers Lake business, and vehicles stolen from the Armdale and Spryfield area.

"They saw the similarities and they were able to bring them back, tie them into it," MacDonald said.

HALEY RYAN/METRO

## Antigonish. Mounties ID fatal crash victim

Antigonish RCMP have released the name of the driver who died Tuesday evening on Highway 104 in Havre Boucher.

Henry Hank Snow, 44, of Creignish, was pronounced

dead at the scene of the head-on crash between an SUV travelling westbound and a tractor trailer travelling eastbound. Snow was operating the SUV.

Police say no charges are anticipated. **CAPE BRETON POST**

## Bedford. Man charged in residence fraud case

The RCMP have charged a 42-year-old Bedford man following an investigation into residence fraud.

Basem Farid Awaad is facing four charges in total as police allege he helped assist "foreign nationals through fraudulent means" to land permanent resident status and become Canadian citizens.

There are two charges of counselling misrepresentation under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and two charges of false representation under the Citizenship Act.

### Court appearance

- Basem Farid Awaad is scheduled to appear in Halifax provincial court on Dec. 5.

"Through the success of these types of investigations, the message will continue to be sent that you cannot purchase Canadian citizenship," Const. Shawn Dinsdale of RCMP's Federal Operations Unit, said in a statement. **METRO**

### Blue Wave Seafoods Inc.

## N.S. lends \$500K to seafood company

A seafood company in southwestern Nova Scotia is getting a \$500,000 loan from the provincial government to help restructure its operations.

The government says the loan to Blue Wave Seafoods Inc. is repayable over a 10-year period.

The fish processor and exporter employs nearly 70 full- and part-time staff in Port Mouton. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Digby's Wharf Rat Rally

## Staysafe, cops urge bikers

Digby RCMP are asking Wharf Rat Rally participants to keep safety in mind this weekend.

"We want attendees to enjoy themselves and stay safe," said Const. Darrell McNeil. "As police officers it is our goal to make sure that everyone arrives at their destination and returns home safely."

McNeil expects more than 30,000 motorcycle enthusiasts to attend the rally. **DIGBY COURIER**



Federal Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau speaks to a large crowd of party supporters in Whitney Pier on Thursday evening. **CAPE BRETON POST**

# Trudeau predicts downfall of Dexter

**Politics.** Liberal leader tells partisan crowd governing NDP's days are numbered

Federal Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau energized a room full of supporters Thursday with the notion of changing Nova Scotia's political history.

To end a speech largely focused on how the majority of Canadians are dissatisfied with politics, Trudeau told the crowd it was time for a provincial change.

"Stephen McNeil and the Liberal team here in Nova Scotia are going to make his-

tory by making Darrell Dexter the very first one-term premier in Nova Scotia's history," Trudeau told a crowd of about 450 people at the Whitney Pier legion.

Political pundits expect the province's NDP premier to call an election at any time.

It would be the first election since Dexter won a NDP majority in 2009.

One of the key ridings in the forthcoming election is the new riding of Sydney, where Liberal candidate and former Cape Breton Regional Municipality councillor Derek Mombourquette will challenge longtime Cape Breton Nova MLA Gordie Gosse.

Trudeau said he's looking

### Itinerary

On Friday afternoon, Justin Trudeau will be in Halifax and Dartmouth for several events that will have an election feel to them.

- He will hold a photo-op with provincial Liberal candidates from HRM at the Public Gardens at 2:15 p.m., followed by a visit to

the Uncommon Grounds Coffee Shop.

- At 4 p.m., he'll go to One-light Theatre's summer school at Alderney Landing, then wave to people coming off the MacDonald Bridge with the HRM Liberal candidates.

forward on Friday morning to touring Sydney's Open Hearth Park, which sits on the community's remediated tar ponds site.

"This weekend we're cele-

brating the cleanup of the Sydney tar ponds, we have an example here of what we are able to do when we come together."

**CAPE BRETON POST**

## Crown-land purchase nixed due to 'optics'



Charlie Parker **METRO FILE**

Nova Scotia's natural resources minister has withdrawn his application to buy a strip of Crown land, saying Thursday the bid wasn't worth the negative attention it generated.

Charlie Parker said his change of heart came after a growing public backlash this week that saw newspaper editorials and opposition parties slam the transaction.

"The media attention has certainly been a factor here and I just think it's the right

thing to do at this point in time," he said.

He said although he had recused himself from the file and cleared the transaction with the province's conflict of interest commissioner, he decided with his wife that it would be best not to proceed with the bid, given the controversy.

"I guess it's perception, it's optics," Parker said following a cabinet meeting in Halifax.

Parker was planning to buy

a 0.2-hectare strip of riverfront property that was next door to a home he owns in Pictou County.

Both the Liberals and Progressive Conservatives said the sale, which had not been approved by cabinet, should never have made it through the Natural Resources Department because it broke rules governing Crown land transactions and had the appearance of a conflict of interest. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**





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# Harper: 'Do I seem like I smoke marijuana?'

Justin Trudeau has done it. So have premiers Kathleen Wynne and Darrell Dexter.

And Toronto Mayor Rob Ford says he's smoked pot.

Almost everyone on the political scene seems to have tried it, except for Stephen Harper.

The prime minister chuckled during a media scrum on Thursday when asked if he, too, is part of the parade of politicians who have come out recently to concede they've smoked marijuana.

He took the opportunity to hammer Trudeau and the federal Liberals on the issue, accusing them of promoting pot use among children at the expense of developing an economic policy.

"Do I seem like I smoke marijuana?" Harper asked in response to a reporter's question.

Harper said his asthma precluded smoking. "From a very young age, I have been an asthmatic and smoking



**A cavalcade of cannabis confessions was prompted by Justin Trudeau's admission last week that he's smoked pot in the past.**

STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## Chronic politics

Ontario's premier and Toronto's mayor also recently confessed that they have smoked marijuana.

- Premier Kathleen Wynne came clean about puffing pot "very, very infrequently" and stopping 35 years ago.
- Toronto Mayor Rob Ford said, "Oh yeah, I won't deny that. I smoked a lot of it."

Harper repeated his earlier criticism of Trudeau, saying the Liberal leader "displayed poor judgment" with his marijuana use.

"I look at the contrast with him promoting marijuana use for our children versus saying yesterday he will have no economic policy for several years," Harper said.

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anything has been out of the question since the time I was very small," he said.

The cavalcade of cannabis confessions was prompted by Trudeau's admission last week that he's smoked pot in the past, at least once since becoming an MP.



**Lianna McDonald, executive director of the Canadian Centre for Child Protection, left, and Justice Minister Peter MacKay look on as Prime Minister Stephen Harper speaks in Toronto on Thursday.** FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# PM proposes to crack down on child sex offences

## Harsher penalties.

Tories to introduce legislation aimed at keeping those who sexually exploit kids in prison longer

## Quoted

**"Sadly, there are truly evil people out there.... we don't understand them and we don't particularly care to."**

Prime Minister Stephen Harper

Child sex offenders, particularly those who victimize several kids, could spend longer in prison under a range of harsher penalties proposed Thursday by the prime minister.

The Conservative government plans to introduce legislation this fall aimed

at cracking down on people who sexually exploit children, Stephen Harper announced.

"Sadly, there are truly evil people out there. The fact is we don't understand them and we don't particularly care to. We understand

only that they must be dealt with," Harper said at an event in Toronto.

"To protect our children we must create a justice system that is more responsive to victims and especially more responsive to children and to the families of children who have been victimized by sexual predators."

A main plank of the proposed amendments would see people convicted of more than one such offence serve their sentences consecutively, rather than the current system in which sentences are served concurrently.

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## Canucks in space?

## Almost 7,000 Canadians want to live on Mars

A project that aims to put people on Mars in 10 years has fallen short of the expected number of Martian wannabes, but there is no shortage of Canadians willing to live on the red planet.

With the Aug. 31 deadline almost here, nearly 7,000 Canucks have applied to join Mars One — a \$6-billion project that plans to establish a colony on Mars by 2023. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Winnipeg

## Alligator removed from home

An alligator was removed from a Winnipeg home on Wednesday.

Police and Animal Services officials received a tip about the two-foot-long reptile. Animal Services is working to find a home for the alligator at a zoo.

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## Saskatoon

## Sunbather told by cops to put top on

Two sunbathers had different ideas of public nudity on Wednesday. Saskatoon woman Jenelyn Santos Ong tweeted, "I'm at the sandbar ... a woman is topless. What is the law on this?"

In the case of the woman, no charges were laid.

"We were able to convince the young woman to put her top back on," said police spokeswoman Kelsie Fraser.

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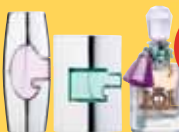
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## On military intervention...

**Canada is a 'reluctant convert': PM**

Canada has no plans for a military intervention in Syria but supports its allies who are contemplating forceful action against that country's regime, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Thursday.

Harper admitted that lack of international action in light of the apparent use of chemical weapons would set an "extremely dangerous precedent," but added his government has been reluctant on the idea of a western strike.

"Our government has been a very reluctant convert to the idea that there needs to be some western military action regarding



Stephen Harper

the Syrian situation," he said Thursday in Toronto.

"At the present time the government of Canada has no plans, we have no plans of our own to have a Canadian military mission."

Harper said the conflict in Syria is "sectarian in nature" and doesn't appear to have any "ideal or obvious outcomes" for a solution.

He added that Canada stands behind other powers weighing the possibility of a mission.

Syrian President Bashar Assad has said his country "will defend itself against any aggression."

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## Britain's lawmakers vote to stay out of Syria

**Stunning vote.** PM Cameron says he'll honour Parliament's will, leaving U.S. to mull going it alone

the duty to protect the national security interests in the United States of America," White House spokesman Josh Earnest said.

Even before the vote in London, the U.S. was preparing to act without formal authorization from the UN. Prime Minister David Cameron argued a military strike would be legal, but he faced deep pressure from lawmakers.

U.S. intelligence intercepted lower-level Syrian military commanders' communications discussing the chemical attack, but the communications don't specifically link the attack to an official senior enough to tie the killings to Assad himself, according to three U.S. officials. Obama said Wednesday that while he had not settled on a response, the U.S. has concluded that Assad's government perpetrated a chemical weapons attack, "and if that's so, then there need to be international consequences."

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U.S. President Barack Obama on Thursday prepared for the possibility of launching unilateral American military action against Syria within days as Britain opted out in a stunning vote by Parliament.

Facing skepticism at home, too, the administration shared intelligence with lawmakers aimed at convincing them the Syrian government used chemical weapons against its people and must be punished.

Despite roadblocks in forming an international coalition, Obama appeared undeterred and advisers said he would be willing to retaliate against Syria on his own.

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# Did dictator have his ex-lover executed?

**North Korea.** High-profile singer, allegedly part of Kim dynasty's notorious 'Joy Squad,' turns up dead



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Twelve people were reportedly executed in North Korea this month on pornography charges. Among them was high-profile singer Hyon Song-wol, a rumoured former lover of the Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un, with many observers suggesting she paid the ultimate price for causing embarrassment.

Her case is typical of a culture of sleaze surrounding the

leader, North Korean sources told Metro. "Kim Jong-un met and fell in love with Ms. Hyon at a 'Joy Squad' party," a former regime official from Pyongyang said. "She accompanied Kim Jong-un on his business trips to rural areas to spend romantic time alone."

The affair did not last long and the leader now has two "official" women, the insider said, despite the recent birth

of a son by Ri Sol-ju, a musician with whom Kim has been able to cultivate a modern image. The source said Ri suffers from jealousy, and described a recent party in which she threw a glass at Kim.

The "Joy Squad" is a notorious institution that is part of the Kim family dynasty. "They were royal palaces full of masseurs, dancers, musicians, prostitutes and exotic foreign

imports," Jasper Beckett, North Korea expert and author of *Rogue Regime*, told Metro.

"It's very likely that Kim Jong-un has continued like his father, who had numerous wives and mistresses. His grandfather would drive around town and pick up any woman he wanted — you could have a hierarchy of wife, official mistress, mistress," said Beckett.



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### Egypt

## Prosecutor a no-show as detained Canadians fight for release

Two Canadian men being held in Egypt remained behind bars Thursday with no word on their possible release.

Lawyers representing Tarek Loubani and John Greyson, along with a senior Canadian government official, were hoping to

meet with a Cairo prosecutor to plead the case for freeing the men.

But the prosecutor failed to show up, and the lawyers were forced to leave the prison where the men are being held as a night-time curfew was approaching.

That left supporters of the men disappointed but vowing to continue fighting for their release. It was unclear whether the detention order against them will be lifted.

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## Ready to face the Taliban?

New Afghan army recruits stand in formation during a graduation ceremony at the Afghan National Army base on the outskirts of Kabul, Afghanistan. Taliban insurgents staged an evening mountain-pass ambush on an Afghan police convoy patrolling a key highway, killing 15 officers and wounding 10 in western Afghanistan's Farah province, a provincial official said Thursday. AHMAD JAMSHID/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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- Four three-person initial attack crews
- Three helicopters
- Five rappel crews and specialized rappel helicopter
- Additional response officers and support staff

Crews load up one of the helicopters at the Pemberton Fire Attack Base so it's equipped to quickly head out to a wildfire. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

## Heatseekers. Well-trained wildfire crews ready to attack forests smouldering for a fight



MATT KIELTYKA  
Metro in Vancouver

Red flash after red flash lit up a real-time map of British Columbia as reports came in.

A record dry spell in July meant that on Aug. 2 most of the province was under an "extreme" wildfire-danger rating.

People in the outdoors weren't allowed any open flame or campfires and already frowned-upon behaviour — such as casually flicking a cigarette — was now criminal.

But on this day, Mother Nature was the one doing the damage. A hundred new wildfires were recorded as the first storm system in more than a month swept through southern B.C., its flashes of lightning igniting the parched, tinder-dry forests overnight.

The Heatseekers Unit of Pemberton's Fire Attack Base — located just north of Whistler in the province's Coastal Fire Centre — had preloaded one of its three helicopters stationed at the base.

Armed with axes, shovels, chainsaws and hoses, the 20-man unit was ready to rush into nature's inferno at a moment's notice.

Just not at this particular moment.

While crews were attacking fires throughout the province, the remnants of the previous

night's storm made it impossible for Pemberton units to get clearance to fly in the morning, with the imposing Mount Currie next to the airfield completely obscured by the cloud cover.

"There's a lot of anticipation in fire season. Sometimes the hardest part is not being on fires," says Heatseekers unit supervisor Joe Lax, 34, whose flat-brimmed baseball cap and youthful appearance mask years of extensive wildfire experience.

It's only the hardest part if you don't think too much about the long days covered in dirt while working furiously with heavy equipment to contain a hellish blaze as it spreads from one treetop to another overhead. It's not a job for the easily intimidated, or for those afraid to get dirt under their fingernails (and just about

everywhere else).

"There's a bit of glory to it, but most times it's just getting dirty. It's not easy on the body," says Lax. "We are in there for the long haul, start to finish."

"Sometimes we go in there and establish hose lays; we do a lot of burnoff with drip torches to mitigate the fuel between us and the fire. We do line-locate for heavy machinery to build guard around bigger fires and go right down to mop-up, where we use pulaskis and dig up smoldering debris on the ground and put it out."

Given the job description, it's no wonder the majority of the red shirts toiling away at Pemberton Fire Attack Base seem to be extremely fit men and women in their 20s and 30s.

At homebase, they're all



# SOME LIKE IT HOT



A helicopter starts a controlled burn behind an evacuated home in an attempt to reduce the amount of fuel for a wildfire burning on Mount McLean in Lillooet, B.C., in this 2009 photo. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

## Think you've got what it takes to go to blazes?

Have you got enough fire in your belly to become a wild-land firefighter?

You're going to need a lot more than that.

It's one of the toughest, meanest, most dangerous jobs in the country, so the people who take it on have to be the very best.

The test for qualifying as a wildland firefighter has the snappy title of the Canadian Physical Performance Exchange Standard. It's shortened to the code WFX-FIT and that translates into one word: sweat.

"It's no picnic" is the very direct warning in the Ministry of Natural Resources guide to qualifying. One training company's guide sums it up: "The job is the test and the test is the job." It's all based on the real world. And the real world is tough.

### On the web

Go to [metronews.ca](http://metronews.ca) for more on Canada's extreme firefighters:

- **Photos.** See a gallery of the Pemberton Fire Attack Base crew at work
- **Read.** Pine beetle threat extends east

### WFX-FIT

- **Carry pump on back:** 160 metres including ramp eight times
- **Hand-carry pump:** 80 metres
- **Lift and carry hose pack on back:** 1 kilometre, including ramp 50 times
- **Charged hose advance:** 80 metres

### Here's the challenge:

After passing a stringent medical exam in order to qualify to try out, candidates take on a 40-metre circuit at one of six training centres in Northern Ontario.

First they do it with a 28.5-kg pump on their back — four times around the 40 metres, including a steep ramp each time. Then they repeat it twice with the pump in their arms. Then they grab a 25-kg pack with hoses and carry it for a kilometre. Yes, a kilometre, plus the ramp every 20 metres. That means 50 hills to conquer.

### Then it gets really tough.

The would-be firefighter drags an 80-kg sled for two 40-metre laps, to simulate dragging a hose towards a fire.



It takes mettle to do this: A paratrooper firefighter from the Prince George Fire Centre comes in for a landing after leaping from a specialized DC-3 aircraft. COURTESY B.C. WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT BRANCH

### Think you could do it?

Well, there's a catch: You only have 17 minutes and 15 seconds to do it or, to meet the standard for transfers between provinces, 14 minutes and 30 seconds. Ouch.

### Still standing?

We'd like to shake your hand.

MIKE DONACHIE/METRO IN LONDON, ONT.

energy, jokes and a dash of bravado — the latter being the first to disappear when they arrive on the doorstep of a raging wildfire.

It's all about safety (first and foremost), structure and professionalism.

"There's a huge sense of responsibility," says Lax. "You're working within the public trust. There's always excitement when you fly in to a fire for the first time, but your headspace has to be all about having a plan and working together. For most guys, they just want to get out there and go to work. Fear doesn't enter into it."

Listening to Heatseekers describe running headfirst into a wildfire is less Hollywood and more tax audit: technical, serious and, surprisingly, a bit dull.

A wildfire may seem like pure

chaos to the untrained eye, but every crew member who attacks one has internalized a highly detailed gameplan before setting out on a call.

They're in constant communication and each firefighter knows the nature of the fire, the weather and wind conditions, what the topography is and where exits are if things ever get unmanageable.

Wildfire co-ordination officers Toni Large and Rob Dombrowsky — the elder statesmen on base — make sure of it.

The two run the daily briefings and set up the plans for crews heading into the wild.

As the ones responsible for their crew's safety, they were hit as hard as anyone when news broke that 19 members of the Granite Mountain Hotshots in Arizona (the American equivalent of

the Heatseekers) died after being entrapped by a wildfire June 30.

"We have 20-person crews. We know every one of these people," says Dombrowsky. "We lunch with them, we talk, we have interpersonal relationships with all of them. To have something like that happen ... our hearts go out to all of them. It's a terrible thing."

The disaster sparked a B.C.-wide safety review.

"We had a safety meeting with our supervisors to discuss LACES (see sidebar) and fatigue management," says Large. "It was an opportunity for us to remind ourselves of the safety program. Responder safety is first. We have procedures in place for a reason, to avoid that kind of entrapment."

"They have to come home at the end of the day," adds Dombrowsky.



# WHERE THE WILDFIRE FIGHTERS ARE

Wildland firefighters from every province are often dispatched to other provinces, and other countries, that need help. Here's where some crews are based

## Specialty crews

Both British Columbia and Alberta have specialty "Rap-attack" or "Helitack" crews, who rope rappel into fires. They can access smaller fires and attack them before they grow and help fight larger fires by removing timber to create a helicopter landing location, according to the B.C. government.

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## Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre

The Winnipeg-based Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre co-ordinates the sharing of firefighting services for all of the provinces, territories and the federal fire management agencies, the United States and other countries. ELISHA DACEY/METRO



## Quebec

In July, crews from as far as B.C., Nova Scotia and the U.S. came to help fight the fires that raged in the province's north. Quebec also has its own wildland firefighting resources — water bombers for initial attack and secondary attack crews that can be brought in by helicopter. TWITTER: @NBFORESTFIRES



## Maritimes

Nova Scotia's Wildfire Management Group hires seasonal firefighters who are also part of the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre and go to other jurisdictions to fight fires. In July, crews from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were sent to Quebec to help. TWITTER: @NBFORESTFIRES



## Ontario fire rangers

Ontario's fire rangers have been fighting fires for almost 130 years. The province deploys 200 four-person fire ranger crews at 38 fire headquarters and attack bases across the province. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE



## Deadly blazes

### 1825: Miramichi Fire

The largest and deadliest fire in Canadian history raged across an estimated three million acres of New Brunswick and Maine. At least 160 people were killed.

### 1871: The Great Peshtigo Fire

The Great Peshtigo Fire grew out of unattended logging camp fires, eventually destroying 3.8 million acres in Wisconsin and Michigan. At least 1,500 people died.

### The Great Fire of 1910

The blaze burned across three million acres in Washington, Idaho and Montana. Of the 87 people killed, most were firefighters.

### 2009: The Black Saturday Fire

From February to March 2009, numerous bush fires killed 173 people as they swept across 1.1 million acres of Australia's Victoria state. ANDREW FIFIELD/METRO

TEXT: JESSICA SMITH/METRO

## NOTICE

### LABOUR DAY

### Collection & Processing Services Garbage/Organics/Recyclables

<b>No Collection</b> Monday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Collection will occur the Preceding</b> Saturday, August 31 <sup>st</sup>
<b>Otter Lake Facility Closed</b> Monday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Otter Lake Facility Open</b> Saturday, August 31 <sup>st</sup> 7 am to 7 pm
<b>HRM Recycling Plant Closed</b> Monday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>HRM Recycling Plant Open</b> Saturday, August 31 <sup>st</sup> 7:30 am to 6 pm

Collection services can begin as early as 7:00 am. To ensure collection, residents may place materials curbside the evening prior to collection day. For more information on HRM's composting and recycling programs, check your 2013 collection schedule or visit our website at [halifax.ca/recycle](http://halifax.ca/recycle).

The HRM's residential Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Depot will be Closed Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, but will be Open on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 4 pm.

## Weekly Green Cart Collection Service Ends Friday, August 30

HRM would like to remind residents that the **summer weekly green cart collection** will be ending Friday, August 30.

Green Cart collection will return to the regular two week green cart/garbage collection schedule on Saturday, August 31. Residents should refer to their 2013 Organics Green Cart and Garbage Collection Schedule for regular collection information.

Residents are reminded to have their materials placed curbside before 7 a.m. to ensure collection as times may vary.

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# Netflix makes users guinea pigs

**HIPPOs out, guineas in.** Video-streaming service tests its ideas on viewers, whether they realize it or not

Want to be a guinea pig for Netflix, get early access to new features, and help shape how the video streaming service grows and evolves?

If you're a relatively new subscriber, you may already be a beta tester. Or perhaps you used to be.

At any given time Netflix is conducting hundreds of tests across its website and other platforms. Some are based on bold new ideas and are immediately obvious to its test subjects, while others are being run invisibly beneath the user interface.

Users who have been with Netflix since the company launched in Canada in September 2010 aren't likely to be in on the testing, but newer members almost certainly are, whether they realize it or not, said Netflix's chief product officer Neil Hunt.

"One of our limited resources is users to try out new ideas, so I would say it's the unusual individual who doesn't end up in some kind of test at some point," said Hunt.

## Stats vs. top brass



- Netflix relies on the statistics generated by user tests to inform its decisions, chief product officer Neil Hunt said, rather than following the so-called "HIPPO" philosophy.
- That acronym stands for "highest paid person's opinion" and refers to an organization's preference to make top-down decisions.

"Most testing is done with brand new users who don't have learned behaviours to unlearn, that gives us the cleanest read, and so the typical new user coming in will end up in half a dozen or a dozen different test experiences, most of which will be very trivial and minor and invisible."

A year's worth of testing culminated in the recent release of Netflix's Profiles feature, which allows users to create multiple log-ins within the same account. And it took almost two years of testing before Netflix released My List, which allows users to bookmark titles to watch later.

"That seems like a really bad idea and so the nice thing

about the strategy that Netflix uses is, the customer speaks, the customer's behaviour and actions on the service tell us what the winning proposition is based on how it affects the metrics we care about," he said.

"We like to test lots of different stuff, as simple as the size of an image, or the font on the page here or there, or a colour or a shape, all the way up to large and complex features like Profiles and queues."

"This is our whole innovation strategy, try out lots of ideas, quickly get them up in front of customers, measure and see what works well, feel that result, and then move on to build new and different ideas." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



## Can I have a raise with that?

Customers in search of burgers and fries in the U.S. ran into striking workers instead on Thursday. Organizers say thousands of fast-food workers staged walkouts in dozens of cities, part of a push to get chains such as McDonald's, Taco Bell and Wendy's to pay workers higher wages. It was expected to be the largest nationwide strike by fast-food workers, according to organizers. **DAVID COATES/DETROIT NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Amid lawsuits, pressure

## Tylenol to carry red labels warning of possible fatal risks

Bottles of Tylenol sold in the U.S. will soon bear red warnings alerting users to the potentially fatal risks of taking too much of the popular pain reliever. The step, disclosed by the maker of Tylenol, comes amid lawsuits and pressure from the federal government. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Service fee now, tax later

## Former owner of The Brick loses appeal in tax case

The former owner of a Canadian furniture retail giant has lost its appeal of a B.C. government order to pay more than \$200,000 in penalties associated with The Brick's so-called buy now, pay later program. The program allows customers to defer the payment of purchases. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Market Minute

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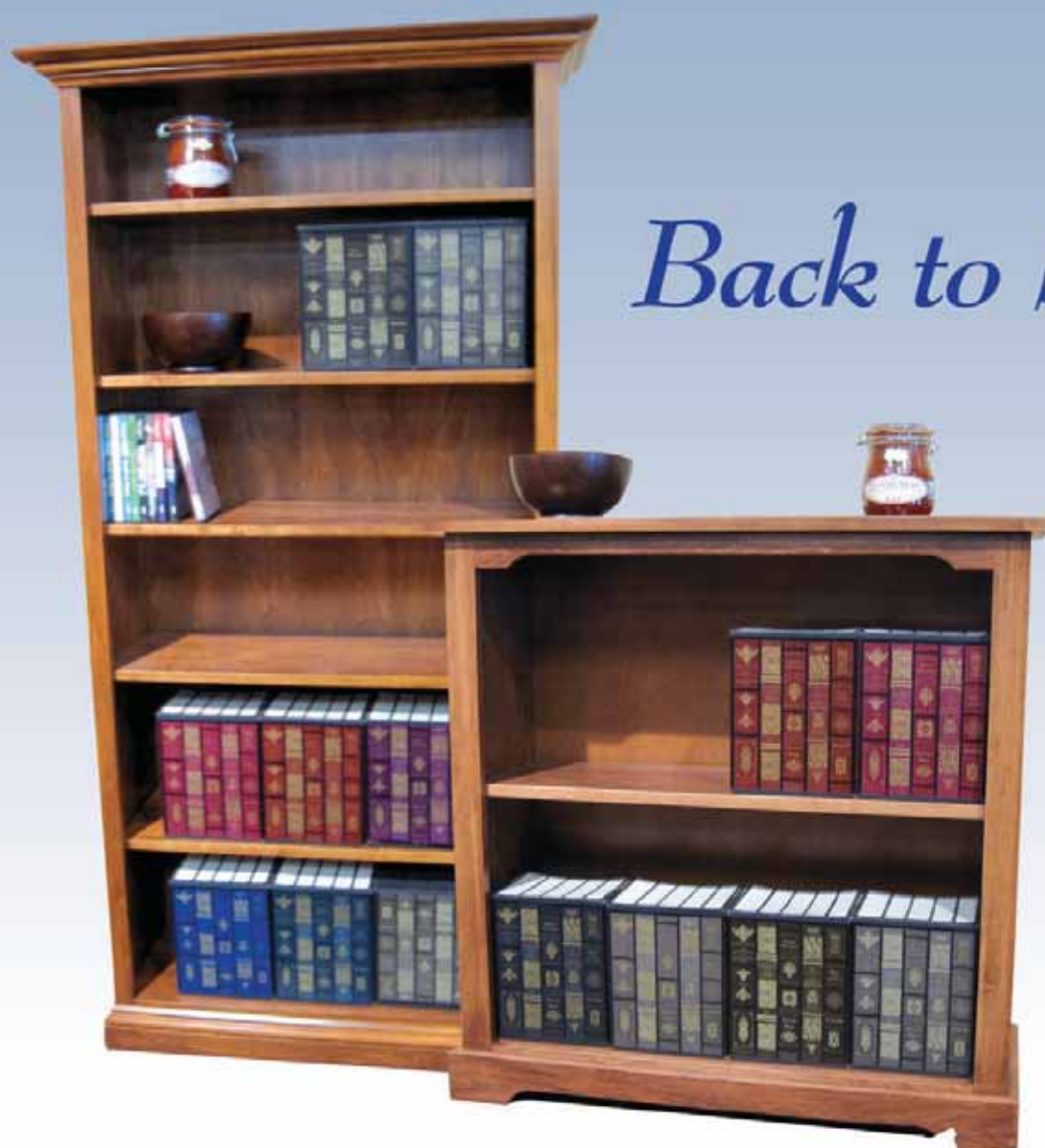
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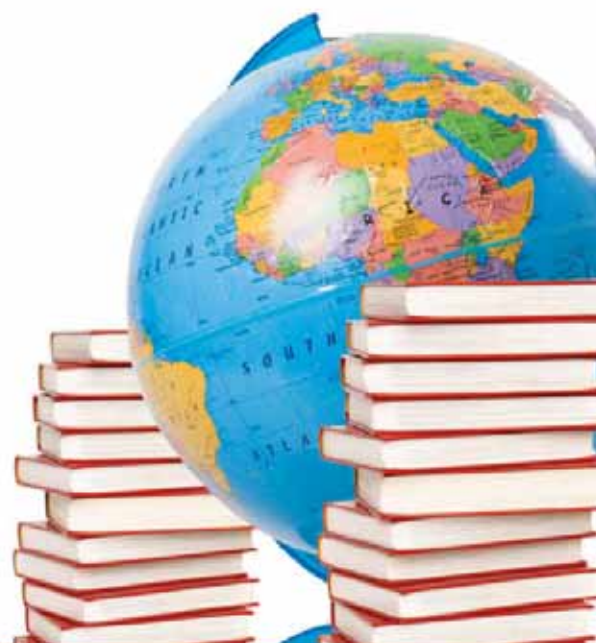
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# CONTRARY TO CONTRACEPTION

**1 Ain't no party like a Québécois Parti.** PQ Leader Pauline Marois says the "Charter of Quebec Values," will reflect "universal" as well as Quebec values and will unify the people. Banning religious headgear in the workplace is just one small step in a brilliant plan to deflect all existing racial tension toward the greater common threat: non-francophones.

**2 On the prowl.** Victoria police issued an alert to citizens after reports of a large cougar on the loose. Experts warn the animal could be isolated and irritable. Residents say that it's rare to find a cougar in these parts. You usually have to go to one of those bars out in the suburbs.

**3 Surprise!** Health Canada issued a recall this week for Freya-28, an oral contraceptive being used by thousands of Canadian women, when it was discovered that some packages contained placebos in place of the active pills. Now, there's nothing funny about this except that faulty drugs usually result in the loss of life, whereas these side effects could last a whole lot longer.



THE METRO LIST  
**Mike Benhaim**  
metronews.ca

**4 Designated driver.** Breaking news on self-driving cars reveal that Google is producing a fleet of "robo-taxis." Terrific news for lovers who want some privacy, and for those who are really drunk, the car is equipped with robotics. Upon reaching your destination, the car will slap you awake, eject you from the seat and dispense harsh verbal judgments.

**5 NASA in a nutshell.** Ice in the Arctic continues to melt while seas in the Middle East shrink. Ideas of redistributing water come up but are far too complex, especially with NASA resources being spent on a study that will allow astronauts to hibernate during their nine-month trip to Mars. I am not

making any of this up.

**6 Bait.** Conservationist and shark defender Lesley Rochat swam among the big fish wearing just a bikini. Rochat said she wanted to be as vulnerable as possible, and boasts that she has not been bitten yet. Viral photos of the attractive Rochat have led me to my latest theory: Sharks are gay. She better hope I'm right.

**7 Talk to the hand.** Researchers at the University of Washington have successfully connected two human brains over the Internet. One scientist sent a brain signal to a colleague at a separate location, controlling his hand movement. This is a magnificent scientific breakthrough, but I just know it will eventually become some household toy for boys with which to terrorize their younger siblings.

**8 Blurred lines.** In an attempt to shed her Hannah Montana persona, Miley Cyrus reinvented herself for the VMAs last Sunday. Now, call me old-fashioned, but as much as the classic, teenie-bikini/foam-finger combo screams artistic growth, if I were her, I might have just gone with music lessons.

**9 This week in music.** In 1975, KC and the Sunshine Band scored their first U.S. No. 1 hit with a song that introduced the phrase, "Do a little dance, make a little love, get down tonight." Thirty-eight years later, we still get to see grandma act out the lyrics at every wedding and bar mitzvah. Only now, she may actually be dating KC.



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## ZOOM

### What do you have to send to Saturn?

#### Smile! A thousand selfies compiled

NASA's Cassini spacecraft has been mapping the Solar System from Saturn, and this was the result when they asked civilians to take part.

Thousands participated in the Wave at Saturn event on July 19, taking selfies of their tributes to the mission. This collage combines the photos they sent as a tribute to the spacecraft's image of Earth. **METRO**



A closeup of the compilation.

#### Down to Earth

# 1,400

The total number of pictures used in the mosaic. NASA reported that contributions arrived from more than 40 countries and 30 U.S. states.



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#### Clickbait



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Sure, Twitter can be a fine source of news and highly stylized photos from around the world. But, more important, it's a rich source of jokes from shockingly sharp minds. Here's three frequently strange and dependably funny accounts.



#### @abusitron:

Your No. 1 source for jokes about using deer to engineer a McDonald's burger heist or musically inclined druids using Stonehenge as a stage for cover versions of '90s dance anthems. Bonus points for being a Canadian.

#### @tastefactory:

Come for the AVI that resembles a photo commemorating a

kitten's first day at school, stay for the excellent puns on sepia-toned cultural references.

#### @crushingbort:

Aside from being hilarious, RTs from this account are a big reason why my following number is too damn high. Sample tweet: "I wonder how many of the people I follow are accounts that have been taken over by funnier muggers."

#### Twitter



want to eat and not steal and maybe have better ideas.

**@metropicks asked:** The N.S. premier is latest politician to admit to smoking pot. Do you care if elected officials toke?

**@Canucklehead\_ca:** I'm more suspicious of those who claimed they didn't. Statistics don't lie, politicians do. Oh, and pass the chips dude.

**@MiaAdinaVida:** Everyone does it! don't get why it's such a big deal!- it's 2013, people shouldn't be surprised anymore!

**@Alannafawn84:** I rather them smoke weed it will only make them

**@sleuth\_4\_truths:** I care that they are honest. Maybe if all NS politicians had a pot party this election stuff (#nspoli) would be more civil.

**@veryboeing:** When it's illegal yes. When it's legal, no. But they will say anything to get your vote.

**@WelderAnge:** well I'm thinking drug use may explain something... They don't call it dope cause it makes ya smart.

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Synopsis

Former race-car driver Brent Magna (Ethan Hawke) comes home to find his apartment trashed and his wife gone. As he tries to wrap his head around what happened, a cellphone rings. A mysterious voice directs him to a car park where he is to steal a souped-up Shelby Super Snake car and perform a number of duties or his wife will be killed. Complicating matters is The Kid (Selena Gomez), a rich kid who comes along for the ride.

- Richard: ●●●●●
- Mark: ●●●●●

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



Ethan Hawke may regret making this movie, but it will be the woeful acting of Selena Gomez that *Getaway* will be remembered for. CONTRIBUTED

# Make quick Getaway from this cinematic car crash

**Abysmal auto movie.** In this dire high-speed kidnapping tale Hawke tries his best but he is weighed down by the ‘performance’ of teen songstress Gomez

**Richard:** Mark, the movie starts promisingly with a five-minute sequence. It effectively sets up the story in true cinematic fashion — show me, don’t tell me — but then quickly becomes what we call in the film criticism business a S.D.M. (Silly Damn Movie). OK, I made that last part up, but I couldn’t really think of any other category to place this movie under.

Maybe E.S.D.M. (Extremely Silly Damn Movie). What do you think? Is it just a mindless popcorn movie or is it just mindless?

**Mark:** Richard, did you miss the trenchant political allegory about late-period capitalism? Well, me too. But if it’s car crashes you’re after, look no further. I liked the set-up of this movie, enough so that I was interested in it to the halfway mark. And then, there were... more car crashes. And because the movie takes place in Bulgaria, the cars that were crashed were kind of small and cheap. To get me excited about car crashes, I need to see some totalled Beemers and Mercs in flames. Quantity is not quality. Anyway, the real car

crash here is the unbelievable relationship between Ethan Hawke and Selena Gomez.

**RC:** Hawke does the job, I doubt he’ll ever think about this movie again once the cheque clears. But Gomez? Let’s just say it’s quite possible she is even more annoying as an actress than she is as a singer. Her “performance” consists of pouting, grimacing and saying things like, “I’m totally screwed.” If you want to know what she’s like without paying to see the movie, go to any mall on a Saturday and eavesdrop at any American Apparel store.

**MB:** Hawke is my favourite actor of the ‘90s generation. But doesn’t Ryan Gosling have some kind of a deal to play

every race-car driver with an existential dilemma? And there are almost no other actors in the film — just some shots of chins on cellphones. So Gomez is onscreen almost all the time, crowding the action with her annoying baby fat. By the way, whoever heard of a Bulgarian merchant bank?

**RC:** Bulgarians, that’s who. If the movie had lived up to the promise of the scene, it might have been a fun ride, but it runs out of gas after the first five minutes.

**MB:** And yet, I found it had some kind of cheap kinetic energy that I couldn’t completely write off. Or maybe I could, if I used a Bulgarian accountant.

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# Bye, bye summer blockbusters

**Fall preview.** It's back to school time, the weather is getting cooler and the leaves are turning — what better time to hide out in a movie theatre?

MATT PRIGGE  
Metro World News in New York

## Riddick (Sept. 6)

What: Vin Diesel wasn't yet a star like he is now when 2000's lean Pitch Black came out, and was stuck in a valley during the bloated 2004 spin-off The Chronicles of Riddick. Now that he's back — or at least back in a franchise he once tried to abandon — all's good, presumably.

Why: Series director David Twohy has long been making genre films, and as of The Per-



Vin Diesel is back in another Riddick movie this fall. CONTRIBUTED

fect Getaway has finally gotten good at them. That this runs less than two hours is a good sign.

Why not: Sorry, but Pitch Black is just so-so. And headline writers have at least three ways to make puns out of the name (Worthy of 'Riddick'-ule — you can have that one). This also features a

character named Lord Siberius Vaako.

## The Family (Sept. 13)

What: Eurotrash auteur Luc Besson (The Fifth Element, Taken) sucks up Robert De Niro, Michelle Pfeiffer and Tommy Lee Jones (plus executive producer Martin Scorsese) into his orbit.

The first two play parents in a family hiding from a mob boss they snitched on.

Why: Besson is probably the last person with big money making genuinely insane blockbusters.

Why not: Besson's movies are stupid. Sometimes this isn't a good thing.

## What to watch in October:

- **Gravity (Oct 4).** Alfonso Cuarón finally follows up 2006's Children of Men with this 3D extravaganza about the plight of two astronauts (George Clooney and Sandra Bullock) dancing around outside Earth's orbit — and literally no one else.
- **Runner Runner (Oct 4).** Justin Timberlake plays a student who loses all his money on online poker and decides to double down on stupidity by confronting the guy who runs it (Ben Affleck).
- **Captain Phillips (Oct 11).** Earlier this year, adventurous audiences got the Danish A Hijacking, concerning a ship overtaken by Somali pirates. Here's the big budgeted American edition (albeit not a remake), starring Tom Hanks as real-life abductee Richard Phillips.
- **Machete Kills (Oct 11).** The first Machete — with Danny Trejo as an ex-Federali vigilante slicing up racists — wasn't such a hit. But after Kick-Ass, why let limp box offices halt a sequel, particularly one with Lady Gaga and off-screen racist Mel Gibson?
- **12 Years a Slave (Oct 18).** Avant-garde artist Steve McQueen (as opposed to the late superstar) goes big with this adaptation of the memoir of Solomon Northup (played by Chiwetel Ejiofor), a freed slave sold back into slavery.
- **Carrie (Oct 18).** The Stephen King classic, already immortalized by Brian De Palma in 1976, gets yet another update, this time with Chloe Grace Moretz and Julianne Moore as her crazy religious mom.

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Action/Biography



## The Grandmaster

Director. Wong Kar-Wai

Stars. Tony Leung,  
Zhang Ziyi

The life of the legendary Chinese martial-arts master Ip Man gets an appropriately mythical treatment in *The Grandmaster*, the comeback film from Hong Kong auteur Wong Kar-Wai. Working in the same fluid, lyrical style as his early masterpieces, Wong bends the conventions of the martial-arts genre to create an unusual sort of historical epic — one in which a country's long-standing social and cultural divisions become physicalized via depictions of hand-to-hand combat. The film seems to have been chopped up in the editing room, but it still has grandeur. **ADAM NAYMAN**

Drama



## The Attack

Director. Ziad Doueiri

Stars. Ali Suliman

Amin Jaafari, a prominent Arab doctor living in Tel Aviv, finds his life turned upside down after a terrorist bombing kills his wife. But when she's accused of being the suicide bomber responsible for the attack, Jaafari heads home to Nablus in the West Bank to discover the truth for himself. What he finds soon leaves him torn between two interconnected worlds. Director and co-writer Ziad Doueiri successfully navigates the murky territory of the Arab-Israeli relations by making the politics personal. He offers no easy answers in giving both perspectives. **IAN GORMELY**

Documentary



## One Direction: This Is Us

Director. Morgan Spurlock

Stars. One Direction

One Direction fans will flock to this film no matter what, but for the dozen others considering watching it: don't! Yes, the cheeky Brits offer a few laughs backstage and the (very) brief interviews with their families are heartwarming, but the bulk of this doc is One Direction on stage and, frankly, they put on a boring show. The lads tell us they're not your typical boy band (they don't dance, you see), but without the choreographed routines you're left just listening to the music — and, if you're not already a fan, their concert won't persuade you. **REGAN REID**

Comic crisis

## Matt Damon weighs in on Ben-as-Batman blowout

"I know there are a lot of people grousing on the Internet. I just think it's kind of funny. You know, he's not playing King Lear. It's Batman!"

"(That's) certainly within his skill set. If anybody saw *Argo* or *The Town*, and all the work he's been doing lately, it's way more nuanced and interesting and way more difficult than Batman! Batman just sits there with his cowl over his head and whispers in a kinda gruff voice at people."

MATT DAMON SPEAKING TO THE TIMES OF INDIA ABOUT HIS BUDDY, BEN AFFLECK, BEING CAST AS BATMAN  
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2 Guns (14) Digital, Dolby Stereo, Fri-Thu 7:25-10:05  
Closed Circuit (STC) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:35-3:35-6:25-9:15  
Despicable Me 2 (G) Digital, Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20  
Elysium (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-6:50-9:40  
Getaway (PG), Digital Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-9:55  
The Grandmaster (PG) Digital, Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15  
The Heat (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 3:55-9:50  
Jobs (PG), Fri-Thu 4:10  
Kick-Ass 2 (14), Digital, Fri-Thu 9:50  
Lee Daniels' The Butler (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:45  
Monsters University (G) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:50  
Monsters University 3D (G), Fri-Thu 3:50  
The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones (PG) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:55-3:55-6:55-9:55  
One Direction: This Is Us (G) Digital, Fri-Thu 4-10  
One Direction: This Is Us 3D (G), Fri-Thu 1-7  
Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters (PG) Digital, Fri-Thu 3:40-9:10  
Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters 3D (PG), Fri-Thu 1:10-7:10  
Planes (G) Digital, Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-6:35  
The Smurfs 2 (G) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:40-6:15  
The Smurfs 2 3D (G), Fri-Thu 4:10-9:40  
Star Trek Into Darkness (PG), Fri-

Thu 7:10  
Turbo (G) Digital, Fri-Thu 1:10  
We're the Millers (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:20-10:10  
The Wolverine (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:55-6:40  
World War Z (14), Fri-Thu  
The World's End (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:20-9:20  
You're Next (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 7:05-9:35

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**190 Chain Lake Dr.**  
The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones — The IMAX Experience (PG) Digital, Fri-Wed 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30  
Digital, Thu 12:30-3:30  
Riddick: The IMAX Experience (STC) Digital, Thu 8

**Oxford Theatre**  
**6408 Quinpool Rd.**  
Blue Jasmine (14) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30

**Park Lane**  
**5657 Spring Garden Rd.**  
The Attack (14) Sub-Titled, Fri 4:05-7:10-9:35 Sub-Titled, Sat-Mon 1:20-4:05-7:10-9:35 Sub-Titled, Tue-Thu 7:10-9:35  
Elysium (14), Fri 9:20, Sat-Mon 12:55-9:20, Tue-Wed 9:20  
Getaway (PG) No Passes, Fri 4-6:55-9:40 No Passes, Sat-Mon 1:15-4-6:55-9:40 No Passes, Tue-Thu 6:55-9:40  
In a World... (STC), Fri 3:50-6:20-8:55, Sat-Mon 1:05-3:50-6:20-8:55, Tue-Thu 6:20-8:55  
Lee Daniels' The Butler (14), Fri 3:35-6:30-9:25, Sat-Mon 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:25, Tue-Thu 6:30-9:25

Monsters University (G), Sat-Mon 1  
Monsters University 3D (G), Fri 3:40, Sat-Mon 3:35  
The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones (PG), Fri 3:30-6:15-9:05, Sat-Mon 12:45-3:30-6:15-9:05, Tue-Wed 6:15-9:05  
One Direction: This Is Us (G) No Passes, Fri-Mon 3:45  
One Direction: This Is Us 3D (G) No Passes, Fri 6:40-9:15 No Passes, Sat-Mon 1:10-6:40-9:15 No Passes, Tue-Thu 6:40-9:15  
Riddick (STC) No Passes, Thu 9:45  
We're the Millers (14), Fri-Mon 3:55-6:45, Tue-Wed 6:45, Thu 9:30  
You're Next (14) Dolby Stereo, Fri-Tue 7:05-9:30 Dolby Stereo, Wed 9:45 Dolby Stereo, Thu 9:30

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Despicable Me 2 (G), Sat-Mon 2:30  
Elysium (14), Fri 6:10, Sat-Mon 2:10-6:10, Tue-Wed 6:10, Thu 6:10-9:05  
Lee Daniels' The Butler (14), Fri 6:15-8:50, Sat-Mon 2-6:15-8:50, Tue-Thu 6:15-8:50  
Monsters University (G), Sat-Mon 2:15  
The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones (PG), Fri 6-8:40, Sat-Mon 3-6-8:40, Tue-Wed 6-8:40, Thu 6  
One Direction: This Is Us (G), Sat-Mon 2:45  
One Direction: This Is Us 3D (G), Fri-Thu 6:45-9:20  
Riddick (STC), No Passes Thu 8  
Star Trek Into Darkness — Double Feature 3D (STC), No Passes, Fri-Thu 6:20  
We're the Millers (14), Fri 6:40-9:15, Sat-Mon 2:40-6:40-9:15, Tue-Thu 6:40-9:15  
World War Z 3D (14) Fri-Thu  
You're Next (14), Fri-Thu 6:40-9:10

### Dartmouth Crossing 145 Shubie Dr.

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Despicable Me 2 (G) Fri 4:30 Sat-Mon 1:30-4:30 Tue 4:30 Wed 4:30  
Elysium (14) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:20 Sat-Mon 12:45-3:40-6:30-9:20 Tue 3:40-6:30-9:20 Wed-Thu 3:40-6:30-9:20  
Getaway (PG) Fri 4:25-7:30-10:05 Sat-Mon 1:25-4:25-7:30-10:05 Tue 4:25-7:30-10:05 Wed 4:25-7:30-10:05 Thu 4:25-6:45-10:05  
Kick-Ass 2 (14) Fri-Mon 9 Tue 9 Wed-Thu 9  
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Riddick (STC) Thu 8  
The Smurfs 2 (G) Fri 4:05 Sat-Mon 1:05-4:05 Tue 4:05 Wed-Thu 4:05  
Star Trek Double Feature 3D (STC) Fri-Mon 7 Tue 7 Wed-Thu 7  
We're the Millers (14) Fri 4-6:50-9:45 Sat-Mon 1-4-6:50-9:45 Tue 4-6:50-9:45 Wed-Thu 4-6:50-9:45  
World War Z 3D (14) Fri-Thu  
The World's End (14) Fri 3:50-7:05-9:55 Sat-Mon 12:55-3:50-7:05-9:55 Tue 3:50-7:05-9:55 Wed-Thu 3:50-7:05-9:55  
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Elysium (14) Digital, Fri-Wed 6:55-9:40  
Lee Daniels' The Butler (14) Digital, Fri 6:30-9:25 Digital, Sat-Mon 3-6:30-9:25 Digital, Tue-Thu 6:30-9:25  
The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones (PG) Digital, Dolby Stereo Fri 6:35-9:30 Digital, Dolby Stereo Sat-Mon 2:55-6:35-9:30 Digital, Dolby Stereo Tue-Thu 6:35-9:30  
One Direction: This Is Us 3D (G), No Passes Fri 7-9:35, No Passes Sat-Mon 2:30-7-9:35, No Passes Tue-Thu 7-9:35  
Planes (G) Digital, Sat-Mon 3:25  
Riddick (STC) Digital, Thu 8  
Star Trek Into Darkness (PG) Digital, Fri-Sun 6:50  
Star Trek Into Darkness — Double

Feature (STC) Digital, Mon-Thu 6:50  
We're the Millers (14) Digital, Fri 9:10-9:40 Digital, Sat-Mon 2:50-9:10-9:40 Digital, Tue-Thu 9:10-9:40  
World War Z (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 6:50  
You're Next (14) Digital, Fri-Thu 6:45-9:05

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Elysium (14) Digital, Fri-Wed 6:20-8:50 Digital, Thu 9:05  
Lee Daniels' The Butler (14) Digital, Fri 6-9 Digital, Sat-Mon 2:40-6-9 Digital, Tue-Thu 6-9  
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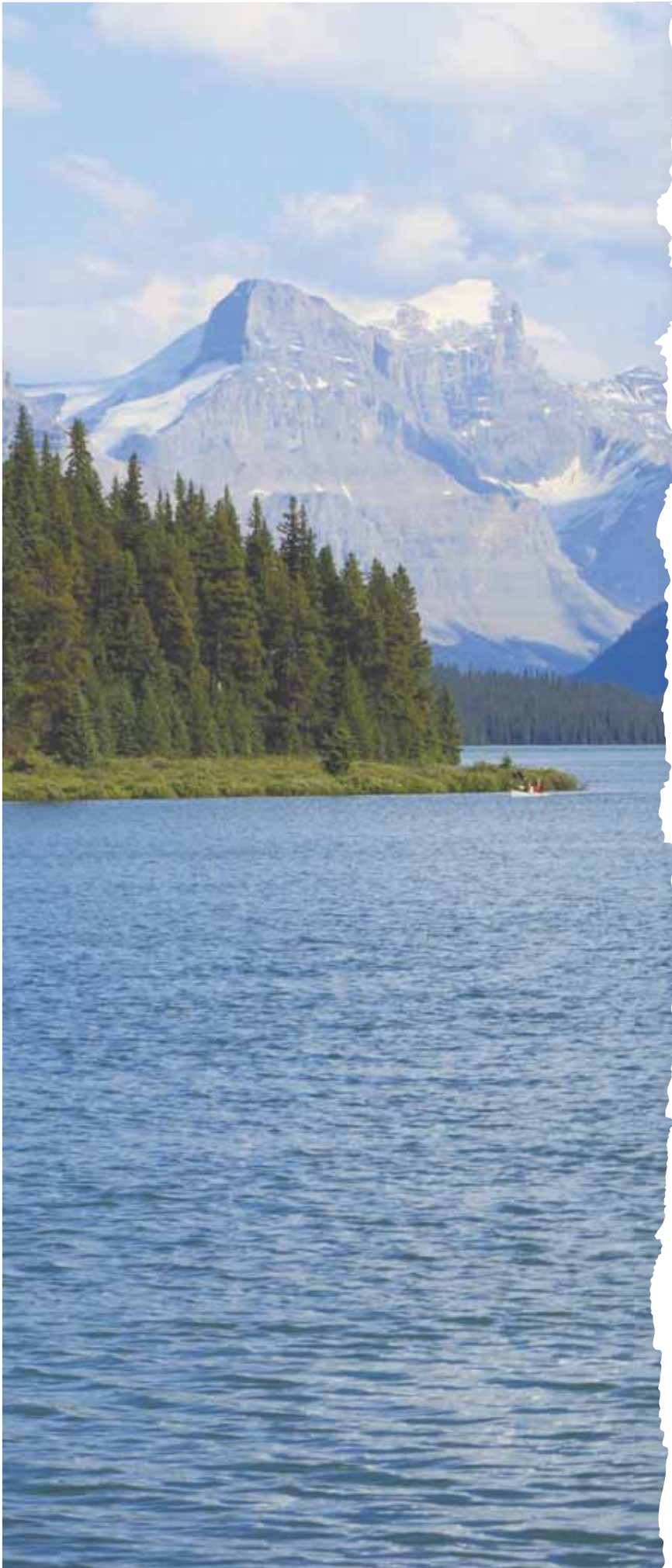
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# MMMBop? Hanson singing a new Anthem

**Interview.** Isaac from Hanson talks about what it was like growing up in the industry and making a band work



**RICHARD PECKETT**

Metro World News in London

On hearing the name Hanson, most people will peppily reply by humming a quick chorus of MMMBop. But there's more to the band of brothers — Isaac, Taylor and Zac — than long flowing locks and that hit released back in 1997.

A lot's changed for Hanson since MMMBop.

They have 10 kids between them, their own label, they've released a beer called MMMHops and sold 16 million albums worldwide.

Tut tut to those of you who had them down as one-hit wonders.

The cherubic trio are celebrating their 21st anniversary as a band with the release of their sixth studio album, Anthem, which includes trademark soulful pop/rock tracks like Get the Girl Back.



Taylor Hanson, Isaac Hanson and Zac Hanson are releasing their sixth album. EAMONN M. MCCORMACK/GETTY IMAGES

Metro chats with the band's oldest member, Isaac, on the run-up to their six-month world tour. Isaac spills about brotherly bickering, the industry's failings and not giving in to groupie temptation.

**Has making your new album been easier than mak-**

**ing a marriage work?**

I think it's very similar to making a marriage work. It's probably more complicated because there are three people involved. Going into this album we had to make some real adjustments. We had been hitting the ground pretty hard after touring for the previous two years.

**It's been publicized that the album nearly didn't happen due to disagreements. Were you working too hard?**

It was part of it. We had a different plan for the record — it was much more 2013. The current way of looking at music is just not working for the whole business and

**Singing till the end**

**"My enthusiasm for music has never waned because I think music is the ultimate expression of fear, joy, sadness and anger."**

Isaac Hanson  
Talking about his love of making music

nobody is willing to reassess that.

**What did you want to do differently?**

We wanted to make it an ongoing musical experience but I'll leave it at that. We're hoping that we'll look at that project again in the future.

**Who normally incites the arguments?**

(Laughs) All of us are perfectly willing to cause trouble. I will say I have a tendency to play devil's advocate quite a lot, so that keeps me in the mix.

**What happened during the recording of Anthem?**

The initial blowout was because we were working on our fan club EP that we release every single year and

we had been up really, really late a lot of nights in a row. People were stressed about what was coming and we were working on the song Tonight at about 2 a.m. We were frustrated with the process and I said something to Zac, Zac said something to me and so on. It ended with a few fists being thrown and people walking out.

**Has your enthusiasm for music waned at all since you first started?**

My enthusiasm for music has never waned because I think music is the ultimate expression of fear, joy, sadness and anger — it's a great healer.

**Is it the industry that's at fault?**

The music business is messed up. I compare the music business to the whaling industry. The music business is still trying to sell blubber to people who want kerosene.

**Are artists too dependent on the label?**

Artists in so many cases become very insecure and need handlers to go through life because they allow themselves to perpetuate their own insecurity.

## Long weekend tunes



**SOUND CHECK**

Alan Cross  
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Labour Day. The saddest long weekend of the year. Maybe there's something here that will cheer you up.



### Skyfall/ Russian Army Choir

Six members of the army covering Adele for a Moscow morning show? James Bond gets respect, even in Russia.



### One/ Yamantaka // Sonic Titan

These "Noh-wave" experimentalists (and former Polaris Music Prize Short Listers) from Montreal have a new album entitled UZU coming Oct. 29. I, for one, can't wait.



### No Rain/Blind Melon

Isolated vocals — just the recording of the singing of well-known songs — are appearing online in increasing numbers. Here's what Shannon Hoon sounded like with all the music stripped away. No Auto-Tune here, kids.

## Timberlake. Drop what you're doing, Justin needs you!



Justin Timberlake had people taking back the streets. GETTY IMAGES

Hundreds of people flooded the streets outside a New Jersey nightclub after Justin Timberlake took to social media about filming a commercial.

The singer tweeted on Wednesday: "Join me & @Target tonight for just one song. Let's 'Take Back the Night.' First 150 get in. See you there!"

Fans jammed the street outside Maxwell's in Hoboken, and police used loudspeakers to control the crowd.

The Jersey Journal reports that Timberlake's wife, Jessica Biel, was spotted near his trailer.

The indie-rock club closed its doors after a 35-year run in July. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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## iTunes Festival London 2013



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## Jailbird Cameron thought to be reason- behind Douglas — Zeta Jones split

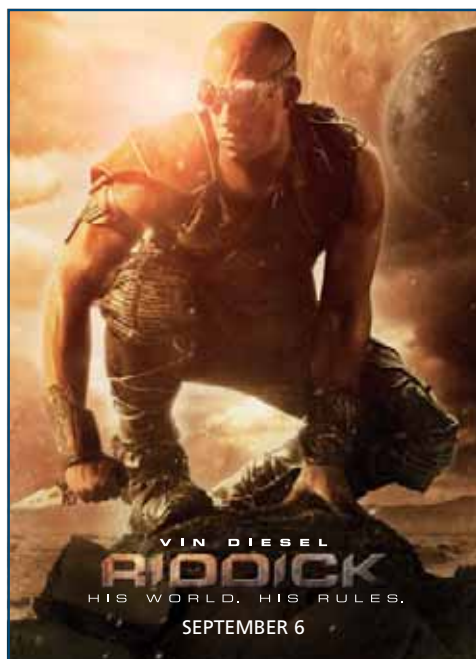
The recent split between Michael Douglas and Catherine Zeta-Jones was reportedly spurred along by tension caused by his incarcerated son, Cameron Douglas, according to Radar Online. "Cameron is in solitary confinement and hasn't seen



Michael Douglas and Catherine Zeta Jones

his father in an eternity, as he can't have visitors. Michael is beside himself. It consumes him," a source says. "Cameron and Catherine never seemed to have a close relationship, and I think Michael always

felt she just didn't care for the situation. He probably felt there was little sympathy from her toward him and Cameron." Cameron is expected to remain in prison on drug charges until 2018.



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*Let's cut Cyrus  
some slack and  
remember  
what we did in  
our crazy 20s*

PAT  
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Metro World News in Boston



I'm just going to go ahead and say it: Miley Cyrus really doesn't care and I sort of love her for it. What? Don't look at me like that. The hipster dream sequence/American Apparel-ad on-acid spectacle that was the video for We Can't Stop was weird as hell, but it was also sort of amazing. And you all know it.

And here's the thing, people. Do you know how old Miley Cyrus is? She is 20 years old. Do you remember what you were doing at 20? Not caring about anything pretty much. Getting all kinds of messed up on all kinds of substances and making all kinds of mistakes. (Ahem, at least that's what I imagine YOU all were doing. I was studying for finals, in my pajamas, at all times.)

The difference between 20-year-old Miley Cyrus and 20-year-old you and me, however, is that we didn't have cameras documenting our

every move. (Unless you did, in which case — hey, cool, thanks for taking time out of your fancy celebrity life and reading this column!)

So, in my estimation, Miley Cyrus is pretty much hitting all the normal, 20-year-old idiot signposts — and awesomely so.

Case and point: in response to the hysterics since her VMA performance (I'm having a little chuckle at my desk right now imagining middle-aged women furiously googling the word "twerk" and getting really, really confused) Miley did not issue some half-assed apology for slutting it up and having a good time via Twitter.

No, Miley instead began tweeting a bunch of slutty pics of herself — all of them featuring her bony butt from its least bony angle — by way of issuing the world a big middle finger. Get on with your bad self, Miley.



Zach Braff ALL IMAGES GETTY

**Busy Braff  
keen to  
please all  
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investors of  
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After his hugely successful Kickstarter campaign to fund his next movie drew just as much criticism as support, Zach Braff knows he has something to prove as *Wish I Was Here* goes into production. "If this is the test case for this way of financing a movie, I want to set the bar really, really high," Braff tells *E!* News. Of course, having 46,000 investors for your film can be a bit daunting, but Braff says no one is getting short shrift. "If any of these 46,000 people email us or contact us, they get a response that day, hopefully within a couple of hours," he says. "We treat them like they're guests at the fanciest hotel and we're the concierge."

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# The iTunes Festival

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The iTunes Festival is one of the highlights of the concert season – and Metro can take you there.

If going to jolly old London to party as music superstars like Justin Timberlake, Lady Gaga, Katy Perry and Queens of the Stone Age shake the stage is your idea of heaven, Metro can make that dream come true.

Thirty days of wicked fun kickoff on Sept. 1, with more than 60 artists playing live at the renowned Roundhouse in London. The Roundhouse opened in 1846 with very different beginnings – a steam engine repair centre. Over the years, it took different paths; eventually becoming what is now a legendary performance hall hosting the likes of Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin and Jimi Hendrix.

Since the iTunes Festival launched in 2007, it has carried on the tradition of stellar performances, bringing in mega stars like Adele, Coldplay and the Foo Fighters. Aside from the artists already mentioned, this year's lineup runs the gamut from Sir Elton John to Kings of Leon, the Lumineers to Chic featuring Nile Rodgers – something for all musical passions.

## Experience it Live with the World

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Watch performances in real-time with the rest of the world by streaming them in HD quality every day in September at 4 p.m. ET/1 p.m. PT. You can watch on your computer, download the official iTunes Festival app to watch on your iPhone, iPad or iPod touch – or watch on the big screen through Apple TV. For a limited time after the gig, performances will be available on iTunes on-demand.

Experience the festival with people around the world by following [#iTunesFestival](#) on Twitter.

The only way to get access to the event is to win tickets. Metro has them! Check out the back page for details on how to enter for a chance to win. Throughout the month, Metro will have gig reviews and reminders on performances. Keep reading for the latest news.



# The Lineup

Performances air at 4 p.m. ET/1 p.m. PT on iTunes or the official app. Miss the show? No worries, watch it on demand for a limited time after.



Mother monster to her brood of evangelical fans, Lady Gaga is one of the most dramatic entertainers to hit the world stage in recent years. Starting with a showcase at New York's The Cutting Room in 2006, Gaga has gone on to be an international sensation thanks to albums like *The Fame* and *Born This Way*, and her recently released song *Applause*.



Sealing its longevity with the 2008 hit *Use Somebody*, King of Leon's has expanded its southern rock sound over the years to become a critical and commercial success. The jewel in Leon's award-winning crown is the collaboration of brothers Nathan, Jared and Caleb Followill with their cousin Matthew. The band's sixth studio album, *Mechanical Bull*, is slated for release this September.



This sexy R&B crooner known for his controversial "Blurred Lines" is no stranger to the bright lights of Hollywood, having grown up in the spotlight as the son of actor Alan Thicke. Fast forward a few years and the American Music Award nominee is a star in his own right now.



Not even a Suit & Tie can cramp the cred of Justin Timberlake. JT went from clean-cut Disney star to successfully stepping in sync as a boy bander before bringing *SexyBack* as a solo artist. Add a scene-stealing movie career to the mix and you have the making of a long and lucrative career.



The only artist to spend 69 consecutive weeks in the top ten of Billboards' Hot 100, Katy Perry is a musical force to behold. From the irreverent *I Kissed a Girl* to the self-empowering *Firework*, she has earned her place as one today's most beloved and sought-after performers, with fans eagerly awaiting her new album, *Prism*.

SEPT 1 | Lady Gaga

SEPT 2 | Sigur Rós [OPENER: POLIÇA]

SEPT 3 | The Lumineers [OPENER: Phox]

SEPT 4 | Paramore [OPENER: Fenech-Soler]

SEPT 5 | Rizzle Kicks [OPENER: Eliza Doolittle]

SEPT 6 | Queens of the Stone Age  
[OPENER: Palma Violets]

SEPT 7 | Phoenix [OPENER: Little Green Cars]

SEPT 8 | Bastille [OPENER: The 1975]

SEPT 9 | Arctic Monkeys [OPENER: Drenge]

SEPT 10 | Jake Bugg [OPENER: Valerie June]

SEPT 11 | Kings of Leon [OPENER: Jimmy Eat World]

SEPT 12 | Elton John [OPENER: Tom Odell]

SEPT 13 | Avicii [OPENER: Henrik B]

SEPT 14 | Chic Featuring Nile Rodgers  
[OPENER: Janelle Monáe]

SEPT 15 | Vampire Weekend [OPENER: The Olms]

SEPT 16 | Jack Johnson [OPENER: Bahamas]

SEPT 17 | Ludovico Einaudi [OPENER: Agnes Obel]

SEPT 18 | Thirty Seconds To Mars  
[OPENER: The Family Rain]

SEPT 19 | Kendrick Lamar [OPENER: Schoolboy Q]

SEPT 20 | Primal Scream [OPENER: Skinny Girl Diet]

SEPT 21 | HAIM [OPENER: Gabrielle Aplin, Bipolar Sunshine, Dan Croll]

SEPT 22 | Ellie Goulding [OPENER: Laura Welsh]

SEPT 23 | Jessie J [OPENER: Lawson]

SEPT 24 | Robin Thicke [OPENER: Aloe Blacc]

SEPT 25 | Pixies [OPENER: NO CEREMONY///]

SEPT 26 | Tinie Tempah [OPENER: Naughty Boy]

SEPT 27 | Dizzee Rascal

SEPT 28 | John Legend

SEPT 29 | Justin Timberlake [OPENER: Mikky Ekko]

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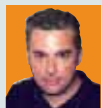


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## Season's end sipper



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Coming from the Maritimes, I know that September can offer the best beach weather of the year. Even so, for the vast majority of Canadians the Labour Day is summer's last call.

Since the acknowledgment of hard work is the reason why we have this Monday off, I can't think of a better way to say a premature adios to summer than with a toast using something that took a little effort to create.

European bartenders have been mixing and matching their local liquids for decades, creating easy-to-make cocktails that more often than not have a wine base. All you need to get started is a bottle of white or sparkling.

In France's Burgundy region, Kir (using white) and Kir Royale (using sparkling) is made by adding a teaspoon of Crème de Cassis (\$20.79 to \$22.20) – a thick fruited blackberry liqueur – to the wine.

My favourite vino cocktail is The Spritz, invented in Northern Italy. Made with bubbly Prosecco, a dash of bitter Aperol (\$21.99 to \$26.98) aperitif and topped off with fizzy water, it's refreshing, no matter the season. **PRICES REFLECT RANGE ACROSS COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**



Marinades are the easiest way to add flavours to your meals. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# One final summer long weekend hurrah

**Marinades.** Surprise your backyard get-together guests with some new flavours

### Citrus marinades

Citrus juices are fairly acidic, which means they permeate and tenderize food quickly.

They work great as a base for marinades that you want to throw together just before dinner. For seafood, marinate for up to 30 minutes; chicken and steak can handle up to 2 hours.

**Chipotle-Lime:** Juice and zest of 2 limes, 2 tablespoons adobo sauce and 1 minced chipotle chili from a can of chipotles in adobo sauce, 2 cloves minced garlic, a hefty pinch of salt.

**Orange-Cumin:** Juice and zest of 1 orange, 1 tablespoon ground cumin, 1 teaspoon chili powder, 1 teaspoon garlic powder, a hefty pinch of salt. Try with haddock or chicken breasts.

**Lemon-Herb:** Juice and zest of 1 lemon, 1 tablespoon Italian herb blend, 1 teaspoon ground black pepper, hefty pinch of salt. Good on salmon or chicken thighs.

### Vinaigrette marinades

Because vinegar is so aggressive, you'll want to temper it with oil. This helps carry the flavour into the food, as well as prevent the flavours from becoming too jarring. For fish, seafood and vegetables, marinate for 30 minutes and to up to 2 hours. For chicken, steak and pork, you can go for up to 8 hours.

**Garlic-Balsamic:** 2 tablespoons olive oil, 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar, 4 cloves minced garlic, hefty pinch salt. Try with pork loin or steak tips.

**Spicy Hoison:** 2 tablespoons rice vinegar, 2 tablespoons hoisin sauce, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes, 1 teaspoon five-spice powder. Try on chicken tenders or scallops.

**Maple-Soy:** 2 tablespoons soy sauce, 3 tablespoons apple cider vinegar, 2 tablespoons maple syrup. Try with pork tenderloin medallions or cod.

### Wine marinades

Wine is a great base for subtle marinades. Because they have a softer flavour than citrus or vinegar, you can use them to highlight other flavours. These mar-

inades work especially well for hearty vegetables and meats. Marinate from 30 minutes to overnight.

**Red Wine-Rosemary:** 1/4 cup red wine, 1 tablespoon olive oil, hefty pinch each of salt and black pepper, 1 large stem rosemary, chopped. Try with portobello mushrooms.

**White Wine-Mustard:** 1/4 cup dry white wine, 3 tablespoons Dijon mustard, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, hefty pinch each salt and black pepper. Great with chicken or eggplant.

**Raspberry-Ginger:** 1/4 cup sweet red wine, 1/4 cup seedless raspberry jam, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, 2 tablespoons grated ginger, hefty pinch each salt and black pepper. Try on pork chops. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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**Extreme Collectors.** Show's host Andrew Zegers talks what's hot, what's not and how to start collecting

Have a collection at home that you're ready to cash in on? Or maybe you're thinking of starting a new hobby.

Andrew Zegers is a Toronto-based collector, dealer and appraiser with more than 30 years of experience, and the host of the new series *Extreme Collectors*.

## What's hot right now?

Every region is different, but I find in urban centres, new and younger collectors are buying Art Deco from the 1920s, up to and including teak furniture from the 1960s, along with all the accessories and lighting that compliment it.

## What was hot but isn't now?

One good example...are fine porcelain figurines by Royal



Andrew Zegers is joined by Penny Marshall on *Extreme Collectors*. CONTRIBUTED

Doulton. They were very popular amongst collectors for many years. For the most part, serious collectors have all they want, and today's generation of collector has little interest in them.

## What makes an item collectible?

That's easy...everything is collectible! It just takes one person with a desire to start collecting it, and in my 30-plus years there is little I

haven't seen collected.

## How do you build a collection? Where do you start?

Start with whatever gets your heart pumping. If it gives you pleasure, why not collect it? If

you are unwilling to make a large financial commitment, thrift stores, flea markets, and auctions are a good option. Educate yourself, talk with other collectors and dealers. Read reference books or

online collector blogs. When you're ready, attend antique markets, and paid admission shows. Focus on condition and rarity.

## How do you find out what a collection/item is worth?

These are the questions I keep in mind when figuring out the value of any collection: What condition is it in? How old is it? Was it mass-produced? Does it deteriorate with time and use? Does it have crossover appeal to many different collectors? Is it beautiful to look at, or at least is it functional? Will it sell in multiple markets, or is it limited to just one? These factors have to be taken into account when determining price. Then check price guide-books and auction results.

## Why do you collect?

Collecting, for me, is not be about money. I surround myself with beautiful objects, and enjoy them all. The dollar value is just a great fringe benefit to collecting. **METRO/EXTREME COLLECTORS PREMIERING SEPT. 2 WITH BACK-TO-BACK EPISODES AT 9 P.M. ET/11 P.M. PT ON SLICE**

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# More cuts ahead of Herd's final home pre-season tilt



With four goals in as many pre-season games, Dartmouth's Andrew Shewfelt has raised some eyebrows with the Mooseheads. COURTESY DAVID CHAN

**QMJHL.** Several players are preparing to leave Mooseheads for NHL rookie camps



**ANDREW RANKIN**  
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There are many moments during the Halifax Mooseheads' training camp that stand out for Dominique Ducharme.

Top of the list for the Herd's bench boss was the focus and leadership that his returning veterans have displayed over the past couple of weeks.

"They set the tone, setting an example for the new guys coming in," said Ducharme.

The play of the club's Euro

picks, Nikolaj Ehlers and Timo Meier, are high on his list, as well as the Moynihan brothers, who arrived from New Hampshire boasting very different but effective skill sets. Then there's the play of Dartmouth native Andrew Shewfelt, who's notched four goals in as many pre-season games, not to mention Taylor Ford, the Mooseheads' second pick in June's draft, who was cut on Monday but made a solid impression on Ducharme.

"Everyone who's here right now has shown a lot of good things," said Ducharme. "There's a lot of work to be done but I like the mindset of our guys right now."

The Mooseheads are preparing for their last home pre-season matchup on Friday at the Halifax Forum against the

Cape Breton Screaming Eagles at 7 p.m.

Twenty-eight players remain on the roster (15 forwards, 10 defencemen and three goalies). Another forward and two defencemen will be cut in time for the regular-season opener against the Moncton Wildcats on Sept. 12.

In the meantime, a handful of Mooseheads will be heading for NHL rookie camps in the coming week, including Andrew Ryan (Philadelphia), Matt Murphy (St. Louis), MacKenzie Weegar (Florida) and Zach Fucale (Montreal).

More cuts will come when they arrive back in Halifax.

Heading into a brand-new campaign, Ducharme says his expectations remain the same — even without the services of last year's top line of Nathan MacKinnon, Jonathan Drouin and Martin Frk.

"We want to come every day and work on our game, work with intensity and improve every day in every facet on and off the ice."

## Quoted

**"We want to commit every day. We want to control what we can and be as good as we can be."**

Mooseheads head coach Dominique Ducharme

## Rainmen continue to beef up roster

The Halifax Rainmen have added more size, athleticism and experience to their pre-season roster.

Both Kaylone Riley, a six-foot-eight forward/centre out of Warner Pacific College and former Rice University point guard Brock Gillespie signed with the club on Thursday.

Riley's coming off a standout season with Romania's Division A club CSU Sibiu,

where he was named defensive player of the year, averaging 14.3 points, 8.1 rebounds and 1.8 blocks per game. He played two seasons at Warner Pacific College, leading the Cascade Conference in rebounding and blocks in both campaigns.

"Kaylone is a terrific athlete whose great size, length and quickness makes him an intimidating presence on

both ends of the floor," said Rainmen head coach Chris Terrell in a team release. "He dominated in Romania last season, plays way above the rim and can run the floor and change directions like a guard."

Gillespie has plenty of D-League and overseas experience and has participated in several NBA camps over the years. At Rice University

he averaged 8.4 points, 1.3 assists and 1.2 rebounds in 120 games.

"Brock is a savvy floor general that sees the court well and makes the right decisions," said Terrell. "He's well coached, understands time and space and has a high basketball IQ, which makes him the perfect pass-first point guard."

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Kaylone Riley dominated with Romania's Division A club CSU Sibiu last season.

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Eugenie Bouchard returns a shot to Angelique Kerber at the U.S. Open in New York on Thursday.  
DAVID GOLDMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## **Bouchard bounced out in 2nd round**

**U.S. Open.** Montrealer has her serve broken seven times in loss to women's eighth seed

Montreal's Eugenie Bouchard fought off four match points before losing 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 to eighth-seeded Angelique Kerber on Thursday in the second round of the U.S. Open.

Bouchard was unable to match her third-round Wimbledon showing last month.

The teen, ranked 59th in the world, finished with 41 winners and 43 errors against Kerber.

Bouchard broke six times on 14 chances but lost her own

### **Men's action**

Milos Raonic of Thornhill, Ont., advanced to the third round at Flushing Meadows with a 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 victory over Spain's Pablo Andujar on Thursday.

serve on seven occasions and committed seven double-faults.

Bouchard saved four match points through winners as she served trailing a set and 3-5 in the third. But a serving error handed Kerber a fifth winning chance, with the German taking the victory on Bouchard's wide forehand.

"It's always disappointing to lose, I'm a bit down about

that," Bouchard said. "I felt I played well, I tried to be aggressive. But she's a good counter-puncher, every time I came to the net she passed me."

"My first serve was nowhere as good as it can be, but I made up for some of it with my second serve. But I need to work on my fitness as well as my mental strength. This match showed that I'm close, I was dictating and competing. But I need to get a bit more consistent."

Aleksandra Wozniak of Blainville, Que., playing only her second match since March after last autumn's shoulder injury, faced a huge task against double Grand Slam champion Victoria Azarenka and lost 6-3, 6-1. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



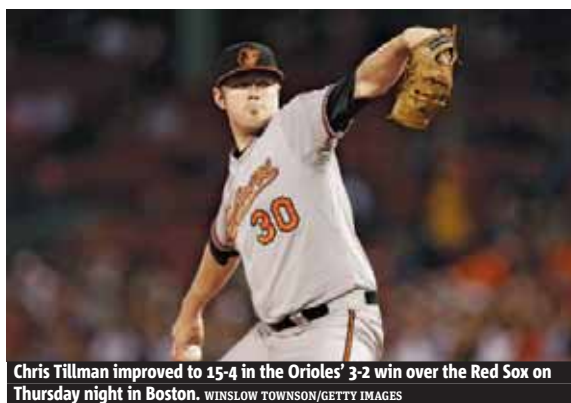
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Chris Tillman improved to 15-4 in the Orioles' 3-2 win over the Red Sox on Thursday night in Boston. WINSLOW TOWNSON/GETTY IMAGES

# O's avoid sweep by Red Sox

**MLB.** Tillman racks up win No. 15 in Baltimore victory

Chris Tillman pitched seven strong innings to earn his 15th victory of the season and the Baltimore Orioles beat the Boston Red Sox 3-2 on Thursday night to avoid a three-

On Thursday

3

Orioles

2

Blue Jays

game sweep.

The loss left the Red Sox

2 1/2 games ahead of the Tampa Bay Rays in the AL East.

Manny Machado had two hits for the Orioles, including a two-run double that gave them the lead for good in the third inning. Danny Valencia had two doubles, and Adam Jones also had a pair of hits for Baltimore.

Tillman (15-4), who had never won more than nine

games in a season before this year, allowed two runs and six hits while striking out eight. Only Detroit's Max Scherzer, who has won 19 games, has more major-league victories this season.

Jon Lester (12-8) pitched six innings for Boston, allowing three runs and five hits.

Jim Johnson pitched the ninth for his AL-leading 41st save. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## NFL. Former players surprised by tentative concussion settlement

Tony Dorsett hopes a proposed \$765-million settlement with the NFL can make a difference in the lives of the thousands of former players who are suffering from concussion-related brain injuries.

Players like Dorsett, a Hall of Fame running back.

"There's definitely a dire need for help for these guys — for us guys," Dorsett told The Associated Press on Thursday.

The settlement would provide immediate compensation for players and their families, pay for medical exams and treatment and underwrite research that the plaintiffs hope will protect future generations from the devastating effects of repeated blows to the head. The settlement still has to be approved by Senior U.S. District Judge Anita Brody in Philadelphia, something lead plaintiffs' lawyer Christopher Seeger said he expects to happen in the next 60 to 90 days.

"I don't know all the details so I really can't speak to the specifics, but I'm glad to see there's been some movement and some reaction to all this," said Dorsett, the most accomplished and best-known plaintiff in the flurry of lawsuits after starring for the Dallas Cowboys and winning the 1976 Heisman Trophy at Pittsburgh.

Dorsett and Super Bowl-winning quarterback Jim McMahon were among the more than 4,500 former athletes — some suffering from demen-

New NFL approach?



"I'm shocked that it is settled. I'm used to the NFL taking

a hard-line approach as they have throughout the years with strikes and everything else."

Former NFL offensive tackle Lomas Brown

Going through the system

The settlement, unprecedented in sports, was announced Thursday after two months of court-ordered mediation and is subject to approval by a federal judge.

- U.S. District Judge Anita B. Brody in Philadelphia is expected to rule on the settlement in two to three months.

tia, depression or Alzheimer's — who have sued the NFL since the first case was filed in Philadelphia in 2011. They accused the league of concealing the long-term dangers of concussions and rushing injured players back onto the field, while glorifying and profiting from the kind of bone-jarring hits that make for spectacular footage. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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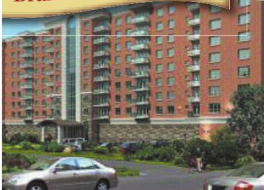


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## Horoscopes

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

You have met so many challenges lately that you are entitled to back off — but you won't. Mars, your ruler, is urging you to go on the attack. Keep the pressure on your rivals, and on yourself.

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

There are a number of things you no longer need in your life and now is the time to get rid of them. You know what they are and how they are holding you back, so go on and purge.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

It will be easy to go over the top and say something you don't really mean — and the consequences could be costly. You don't need to be so forthright in your opinions.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Your mind is moving super fast at the moment, thanks to the positive influence of Mercury. But others won't be so quick in the brain box department, so make allowances and spell out the answers for them.

### Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You must resolve to stay the course, whatever the temptation may be to cut your losses and get out. Your solar chart indicates that it will all work out right in the end.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Even if the facts are on your side, you could be in a difficult position today because friends and colleagues have got it completely wrong and you don't want to embarrass them. Still, the truth is the truth.

### Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Your popularity will soar over the next few days and people in positions of power will go out of their way to do you favours. Bear in mind though that they will expect those favours to be returned.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You are not the kind to let people dictate to you but cosmic activity in the career area of your chart suggests you may have to today. Try not to antagonize authority figures.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

A Sun-Saturn link will boost your self-discipline and make it easier for you to complete tasks that you might otherwise lose interest in. It's not true that Sags lack in staying power. Prove it.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

There may be no logical reason why a certain person gets on your nerves but they do and there isn't much you can do about it. What you can do, of course, is stay out of their way for the next 24 hours.

### Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Don't allow yourself to be talked into supporting a cause you don't believe in. Just because it is the fashionable thing does not make it right.

### Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

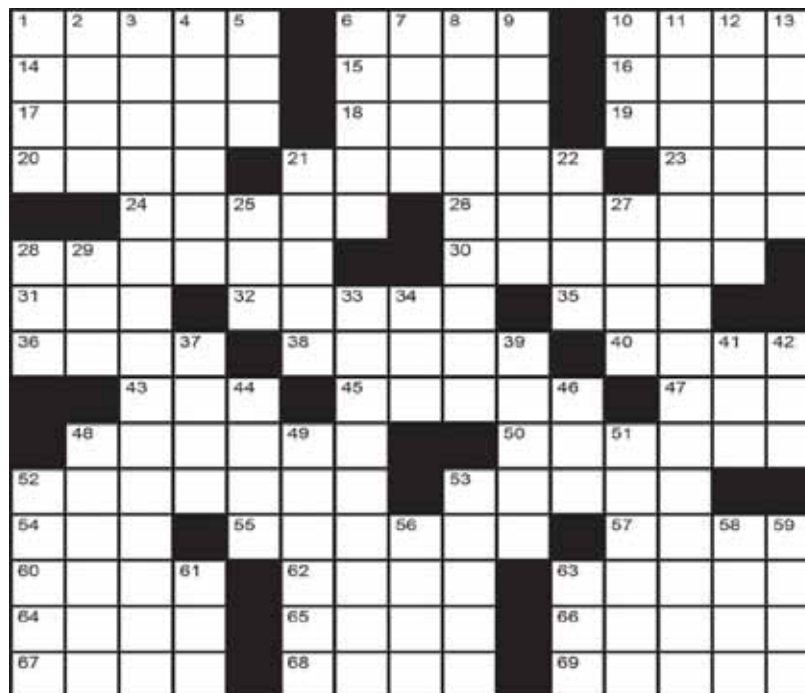
There is no point trying to explain why you have chosen to follow a certain course — few people are likely to understand. The only thing that matters is that you believe you are doing the right thing. Do you?

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## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

### Across

1. Apple, in Quebec City
6. Boxing blows
10. Cook's crackees
14. Vestibule
15. Fit
16. Ms. Loughlin of "Full House"
17. "Over There": Composed by George M. \_\_\_\_
18. "Proper" word?
19. String problem
20. Ladies
21. Swanky neighbourhood of Winnipeg
23. \_\_\_\_ and flow
24. "\_\_\_\_! I remember now!"
26. Escape; or, Selena Gomez's new movie
28. Fellini film, "La \_\_\_\_" (1954)
30. Restrain: 2 wds.
31. Furry friend
32. "...upon so \_\_\_\_ subject as myself." - Bit of Romeo and Juliet
35. Big hurricane, \_\_\_\_ 5
36. Longbow woods
38. Hen's home
40. Crevice-filling wedge
43. Q. "What's the opposite of 'out'?" A. "\_\_\_\_", \_ think."
45. Ms. O'Donnell
47. Numerical prefix
48. Mini burger



50. Vancouver-born actor James who played Scotty on "Star Trek"
52. Certain cracker
53. Category
54. "Babe: \_\_\_\_ in the City" (1998)
55. Mary-Kate and Ashley
57. Venerations
60. Moisturizer

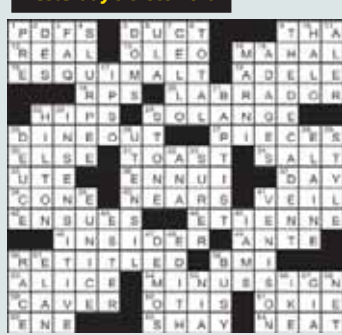
- ingredient
62. "Make \_\_\_\_." ("Star Trek: The Next Generation" catchphrase)
63. Sharpshoot
64. Not ruffled
65. Crease
66. President Nixon's first VP, Spiro \_\_\_\_
67. Rubik's Cube inventor, \_\_\_\_ Rubik

68. Genuine
69. Gives up control
- Down**
1. Mil. ranks
2. "Woow!"
3. Celine Dion hit: 5 wds.
4. Fredericton-born soprano Ms. Brueggergosman
5. Sea eagle, variantly
6. Roman Myth: God

- of beginnings
7. "...like \_\_\_\_ of chocolates..." - Forrest Gump
8. Country sound
9. E-Mail getter, say
10. Antlered animal
11. Film classic on Vancouver-born actress Ann Rutherford's resume: 4 wds.
12. Josh of song

13. Be indifferent: 2 wds.
21. "Coffee, \_\_\_\_ milk?"
22. Ear-related
25. NFL measurements
27. Collections of anecdotes
28. Mata Hari, for one
29. Little laugh, \_\_\_\_-hee
33. Montreal-born opera great, Maureen \_\_\_\_
34. Also
37. Miffed state
39. Rolling-to-shore waters
41. Mr. Gershwin
42. Maximum opp.
44. Prefix to 'syn-crazy' (Mannerism)
46. Time type
48. Popeye's profession
49. Join the army
51. Netflix prison-set series, "\_\_\_\_ Is the New Black"
52. Astronomer's interest
53. Pointed-hat garden ornament
56. Classic tongue-twister bit, "\_\_\_\_ Wood sawed wood."
58. Blade in sports
59. Uses needle-and-thread
61. Jeff Lynne's gr.
63. Pouch

### Yesterday's Crossword

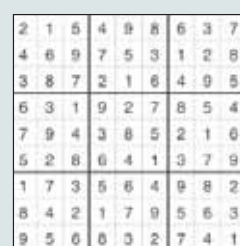


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